Rec'd Febr 2d
Ans. March 14th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Jan 29th 1844

My Dear Sir,

Your favor of Jan 6th ult was duly recev'd. I wrote by the next mail to Mr Charles & also to the Boy Mr. George Clark who is or was employed in the Republican Office & with whom Mr James Stark merchant in Augusta Ill. was acquainted. Mr Stark called at the Republican office 3 times but did not find Mr Charles & asked the boy if he would see about getting the package for him, but as Mr Stark left St Louis sooner than he expected he did not see the boy again. & the boy might have left it at the boarding house where Mr Stark & the boy both boarded at that time.

On Mr Stark's return from St Louis I informed Mr Charles by mail that Mr Stark did not get it. I wrote him Nov 20th ult also Dec 8th ult & Jan 15th 1844. also to Gen. Hark, but have not yet heard a word from them. I wrote directions in their last letter how I could get it if particular to send it by some acquaintance I would be glad to know that it is there or safe on the way.

I have now laid aside for you a parcel of plants with which I think you will be pleased & I flatter myself, that you have not any in your collection more beautifully preserved or better retaining the natural colors of the living state. My chance of sending to St Louis are few, but will avail myself of the first there I hope you will put me out all you can spare with all possible despatch, both of European & Texan plants so as to send as soon as the navigation commences this Spring. The plants I am most anxious to obtain are any & every one peculiar to any part of the country West of the Mississippi thro' its whole length I want to see a specimen of your Aster anomalus for comparison with what I think may be it here, I have a few rare plants I find in overhauling my collection, but only a specimen of them for myself as I supposed they were common plants when I collected them, but when I meet with them again I will secure many specimens. Please send me one specimen of any new plant from any place, Illinois or anywhere else, for as many as you choose to send I will do the best in my power to make a full return & to your satisfaction

Yours truly S B Mead

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Your parcel of Illinois plants I now have contains above 120 specimens

U.S. Dr Chapman rec'd my package of Illinois plants a year ago last Fall & he now informs me that he has ready for me a stout bundle of plants belonging to Florida & Key West. which I expect as soon as the river is open in the Spring. I have this season put out & am putting up 20 parcels & half of them have arrived to their destined place The burden of my collecting for N. American plants is over & now I shall have more time to collect for a few

2 van vantage of Carices N. A.
Carex umbellata Schkuhr
" tetanica Dew
" bromoides Schkuhr
" tentaculata Muhl
" Emmonsii Dew
" polymorpha Muhl
" arctata Boott
" cephalantha Bailey
" arctata Boott
" grisea Wahl.
" varia Muhl
" Backii Boott
" Pennsylvanica Lam.
" Davisii Dew
" virescens Muhl
" convoluta Carey & Dew
" stipata Muhl
" Schweinitzii Dew
" hormathodes Fr.
" varians Jacq.
" lupulina Muhl
" retrorsa Schwein
" Crawei Dew
" Careyana Torr.
" Muhlenbergii Schk.
" Shortiana Dew
" Meadii Dew
" Davisii Dew
" virescens Muhl
" convoluta Carey & Dew
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" Meadii Dew

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Jan 29
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March 14
Cambridge
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Dr Asa Gray
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Jan 29/44
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GEORGE ENGELMANN PAPERS

Rec'd March 22d
Ans March 27th
Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Mar 16th 1844

Dear Sir,

The parcel of plants you put out for me last October is just received. I am still waiting several on your list. viz,

Arabis dentata
Artemisia ludoviciana
Asclepias amplexicaulis
Batschia longiflora
Cassia nictitans
Centunculus minimus
Doria hyperrosa
Lobelia leptostachya
Nasturtium sessiliflorum
Phyllanthus obovatus
Polygonia uvedalia
Potentilla paradoxa
Pyrethrum deflexatum
Segneria macrophylla
Silene regia
Utricularia striata

also Schrankia uncinata
Dalea laniginosa
Galium virgatum &c

If you choose, you may send duplicates of those. Several of those you sent in this last parcel grow here & some others on your list I have met with. I am not anxious to obtain duplicates, but of those about St Louis that do not grow here, I do not object to.

You would oblige me very much if you can send me immediately those plants you have been putting out for me the past Winter. If left with Mr Charles I would probably get them soon, as there are just now more frequent opportunities, than there is after the navigation on the river has been commenced for some time. My chances are few at most, but when the river is first open, more people go to St Louis, than some time afterwards. I hope you have put up one specimen of all Texian & European plants you can spare.

The parcel I have now put out for you consists of a most beautifully preserved set of when any one goes down the river, who will take it along. I will send it. Your Myosotis inflexa I think grows here, tho' I called it Marvenia, but was not satisfied about it. I have thrown in a few. for you to examine. If you have a spare copy of your paper on Equisetum I would be glad to obtain it.

Yours truly
S. B. Mead

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March 18th

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Augusta Mo

George Engelmann M.D.

St Louis

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Augusta Mo

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Rec'd March 26th
Ans March 27th

Augusta Hancock Co Ill Mar 22d 1844

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of 14th March is this instant rec'd & I hasten to send you a line before the same mail leaves that brot your letter. The pamphlet you send I am under obligations to you for — You may rely on my hand it to Mr Charles at the Republican Office if he is there, I will get the parcel sooner that way than by any other — Unless you can send by some friend to Warsaw or even ship to care of G W. Hawley & Co care of D B. Chapman who is in his store at Warsaw. & I will get them with the least possible delay. Quincy is a little out of my way.

Mr left St Louis 2 went to N. Orleans & that was one reason why it was so long delayed before I received it.

In haste yours

S B Mead

In case of shipping to Warsaw take a Bill of lading there is no safety without doing it.

S B M.

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Rec'd March 29th
Ans April 1st;

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Mar 23. 1844

My Dear Sir,

I rec your letter of Mar 14 inst by yesterday's mail & I wrote a line to you, before the same mail left in great haste & before I had carefully read your letter. My letter informing you of the safe arrival on the 13th inst of the long expected parcel of plants together with Mr Lapham's, was mailed the same day your last to me was rec'd.

As you say you can send to Warsaw if there is any safe person there with whom the parcels may be left, you may send at once to care of D.B. Chapman at G.W. Hawley's & Co Store & warehouse, Warsaw. & they will come safe to me & speedily. Mr Charles is acquainted with the Warsaw people & they often call on him when they go to St Louis, but sometimes it is a long time before any one calls at the Republican Office & Mr Charles is often absent. Hereafter I think it will be better that you send me at once without leaving Mr Charles to Warsaw directed as above I always give notice without delay to all that send me plants on their immediate arrival so that they need not be in suspense about them.

After I receive the parcels you & Dr Short & I will write you & give you a further list of desiderata of N. American plants. I have however no objection to any rare as to European any that I have you a list sometime ago & I am ready to collect for you ant growing here that you want to collect. Your parcel I have nd (I expect a chemo) in a few many more if I had known e a specimen of Corculio Carolinus! w. among my Mexi specimens exactly with the description so that k out for it hereafter — & for some other things

Yours truly S.B. Mead'

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Rec'd March 29th
Ans'd April 1st

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Mar 23. 1844

My Dear Sir,

Mail [illegible] by yesterday's mail [illegible] the same [illegible] carefully read [illegible] you of the safe arrival on the 13th inst of the long expected parcel of plants together with Mr Lapham's, was mailed the same day your last to me was.

As you say you can send to Warsaw if there is any safe person there with whom the parcels may be left, you may send at once to care of D. B. Chapman at G. W. Hawley & Co Store & warehouse, Warsaw. & they will come safe to me & speedily. Mr Charles is acquainted with the Warsaw people & they often call on him when they go to St Louis, but sometimes it is a long time before any one calls at the Republican Office & Mr Charles is often absent. Hereafter I think it will be better that you send me at once without leaving Mr Charles to Warsaw directed as [illegible] always give notice without delay to all [illegible] plants on their immediate arr[illegible] they need not be in suspense abo[illegible] I receive the parcels yours & Dr Sho[illegible] you & give you a further list of desi[illegible] erican plants. I have however no objection to [illegible] not growing here. as to European any th[illegible] not got of which I sent you a list sometime ago & which you have not now put out. I am ready to collect for you good specimens of any plant growing here that you want as long as you wish me to collect. Your parcel I have put out for you & will send (I expect a chance) in a few days. I should have added many more if I had known exactly your wants. I have a specimen of Coreopsis Carolinus (only one) found here or at Warsaw among my Meriospermum I collected last season; it agrees exactly with the description & that I have no doubt of it. & I will look out for it hereafter — & for some other things

[illegible] B. Mead

& N. American plants. I have however no objection to any rare

In case you have left the parcels of plants with Mr Charles, you would oblige one by calling on him & enquiring if he has sent them to Warsaw if not, I wish you would forward them without delay to be left with D. B. Chapman at G W. Hawley & Co's Store, Warsaw - Ill

S B Mead

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St Louis

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S. B. Mo
Augusta
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1844
March 23
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Rec'd Apl 26th

Am Apl 23d Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Apl 13th 1844

Dear Sir,

I sent to Warsaw a bundle of plants for you, inclosing a parcel for Mr Lapham also a Box to your care for W. J. Macrae Esqr, Montreal, Canada & also to care of Wiley & Putnam N. York. which if you can conveniently send, when you are sending others to N. York, I would be glad to have forwarded, I think you send your parcels to care of Wiley & Putnam N.Y. Please forward Mr Lapham's parcel with his others you have to send if not already gone. I could get no paste board to our Stores & if you can tie on the outside covers over the whole parcel after taking yours out, it would be more secure.

Do you expect any thing sent you from Wiley & Putnam soon or in course of that season? Could I make an arrangement to have any parcel come with yours I will pay whatever expense it may be & remit it to you without delay whenever I should have any thing come that way

I expected Mr Stark merchant of this place to have taken charge of the parcels of plants, next week when he went to St Louis. but Mr G. W. Hawley having met with an acquaintance from St Louis, Mr James H. Marshal Seed Dealer in St Louis got him to take charge of them & went from Warsaw last evening to St Louis — It was directed to be left at the Republican Office

I shall probably get the packages from you & Dr Short there next week, I am lately somewhat unfortunate in getting my packages without much delay.

I will write you as soon as I receive them

Your Truly

S B Mead

1844 S. B. Mead
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Rec'd May 3d

Ans'd May 21st Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Ap 24th 1844

Dear Sir,

I now have the pleasure of informing you of the safe arrival of your package of plants & Dr Short's. The greater part were new to me. Two several of the American ones grow here. I would be glad of any plant you think would be interesting to me, but I am not anxious to obtain any I have, I have already nearly all in the Northern U. States except some peculiar to high mountains & the extreme north. Any alpine plant would be acceptable as also those peculiar to high northern latitudes. I would also be glad to obtain a specimen of all the European plants you have to spare, which I have not already, if I have any more plants here which you would like in exchange.

I would be glad to purchase those Texan plants which do not grow in the United States, which if you can furnish me please inform me how many you have & when you can send them & how & when I must remit the money to you. if by mail what bank notes if Indiana Kentucky &c, it is mostly specie in circulation here, As my means are small, I could not purchase only the Texan plants & from these all excluded growing in the U. States, perhaps I may be able to purchase those from California & the Rocky Mountains, but that is now uncertain.

I am still wanting from your list the following.

Arabis dentata
Artemisia Ludoviciana
Asclepias amplexicaulis
Baptisia longiflora
Cenchrus echinatus
Centunculus minimus
Dionia squarrosa
Draba cuneifolia
micrantha
Nasturtium tanacetifolium
sessiliflorum
Phyllanthus obovatus
Polymnia uvedalia
Potentilla paradoxa
Pyrethrum deflexatum
Seymeria macrophylla
Silene regia
Utricularia striata
Apteria setacea
Croton glandulosus L

also Carya olivaeformis
Psoralea canescens
campestris
Callirhoe involucrata
Linderia attenuata
(not in comparison)
Verbena diffusa Lk
bipinnatifida N
paniculata-stricta
urticifolia-bracteosa
urticifolia-stricta
paniculata-urticifolia
angustifolia-stricta
stricta-angustifolia
hamulata
Viola sororia Willd
Crataegus coccinea V. mollis
tomentosa
Chrysopsis villosa N
Helianthus hirsutus Raf-
Phlox glaberrima
Potamogeton marinus L
Cyperus Kyllingaeoides Vahl
Eriophorum gracile Koch a & b
latifolium Hoppe a & b
angustifolium Retz

Panicum scoparium Lam
Aristida stricta Mx
Equisetum arvense B. Y. &
" Limosum B. Y.
" sylvaticum
" pratense
" palustre a. B. Y.
" Limosum B. Y.
" laevigatum B. Y.
" robustum B. Y.
" hyemale B. Y.
" variegatum B.
scirpoides Mx
Chara, any one or all
Marsilea uncinata
mucronata &
aspidium spinulosum Willd
Pteris caudata & pedata
Cheilanthes vestita
dealbata
Hymenophyllum ciliatum
Struthiopteris germanica W
acrostichum aureum
Vittaria lineata
Psilotum triquetrum
Pilularia
Lycopodium obscurum
tristachyum
Salvinia natans.

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I will add a list of all I want credited to the Northern U. States except some peculiar to high mountains & high Latitudes.

I am not anxious to obtain any others except such as are new or not named in Beck or Eaton. after leaving the Flora of Torrey & Gray

Botany exclusive Southern plant will be acceptable. I have omitted to name those South of Penn. & Ohio in Torrey & Gray.

Trollius laxus
Thalictrum alpinum
Nasturtium amphibium
Eaton
Silaspis arvense
alliaceum
tuberosum
montanum
Viola asarifolia Ph
pedata
palustris
Sagina erecta
Sida Napaea
Eucnide sagittatus N
Crotalaria sagittalis
Hedysarum boreale
Saxifraga Pennsylvanica
Hydrocotyle ranunculoides
Hydrangea oblongata
Thaspium barbinode
Angelica lucida
Imperatoria actaeifolium
Cornus suecica
Xylosteum villosum
Fedia dentata
Valeriana edulis
Aster Drummondii
" Amygdalus all the Var
" Lamarckianus
" Carneus B
" Greenii
" Laxus
" prenanthes
" elodes
" longifolius
" Junceus B. Y.
" grandiflorus
" amethystinus
" blandus
" Tradescanti
" cordifolius
" Novi Belgii
" acuminatus
" graminifolius
" lanceolatus
" divaricatus
Boltonia asteroides
Solidago Canadensis
glomerata
Drummondii
pilosa
nemoralis Y.
Chrysogonum virginianum
Helianthus giganteus B
tomentosus
Coreopsis senifolia
lanceolata a. Y.
grandiflora a B. Y.
rosea
Verbesina sinuata
Marsilea vestita B
Anthemis arvensis
Matricaria discoidea
Artemisia dracunculoides
Canadensis
Lewisii
frigida
vulgaris L

Senecio vulgaris
Cnicus benedictus
Onopordum acanthium
Lampsana communis
Leontodon autumnale
Sonchus arvensis

Lobelia pubescens Mx
Andromeda hypnoides
Menziesia cerulea
Rhododendron arboreum
hispidum
Azalea procumbens
Ledum palustre
Pyrola asarifolia Mx
decorata
media
minor
obtusata
rotundifolia
Prinos lenigatus Ph
glaber
Gaylobusa all
Gentiana pneumonanthe Mx
angustifolia
linearis
Swertia perfoliata
Nuttallia
Sabbatia campanulata
Erythraea centaurium Bk
ramosissima
Villarsia cordata Ell
Phlox pyramidalis
reptans
Convolvulus arvensis
Phacelia parviflora Ph
Lithospermum latifolium
Veronica peregrina
scutellata
Pedicularis
Mimulus ringens
Gerardia purpurea
Linaria
Utricularia vulgaris
Cornuta
Physioloba
Verbena hastata
Lycopus sinuatus
Origanum vulgare
Hedeoma glabella N
Stachys hyssopifolia
palustris
Lithospermum latifolium
Galeopsis ala
Scutellaria hyssopifolia
pilosa Mx
serrata
Salvia urticaefolia
Verbena spuria
Lappula lanceolata
Utricularia vulgaris
Cornuta
Physioloba
Primula farinosa
Dodecatheon integrifolium
Plantago cucullata
media
Amaranthus viridis
Blitum
Chenopodium
retroflexus
pumilio
album
Chenopodium bonus henricus
Rhombifolium
Glaucum

Salicornia ambigua
Atriplex halimus
Blitum virgatum
Polygonum convolvulus
Virginianum
var. strigosum
v. acuminatum
Rumex aquaticus
sanguineus
acutus
Orchis bifolia
Asarum virginicum
Euphorbia portulacoides
Mercurialina
pilosa
Urtica urens, dioica
capitata
Parietaria pennsylvanica
Salix viminalis
candida
rotundifolia
angustata Pk
glauca
petiolaris
alba and amblyca
Populus monilifera and Cuspidata
Betula pumila and nana
Quercus aquatica and ambigua
discolor Ait. coccinea
Catesbaei
olivaeformis
Ulmus nemoralis
Celtis pumila Pk
Pinus resinosa Ait.
banksiana
Fraseri Pk and rubra
Aplectrum hyemale in flower
and flowerless state
Habenaria viridescens
integra
obsoleta
blephariglottis
fuscescens
Microstylis brachystoma
Amaryllis atamasco
Dioscorea quaternata
Smilax glauca and pulverulenta
Caduca, pendula Pk
pseudochina and pedunculata
Streptopus distortus
Trillium pusillum
Cernuum L.
Allium tricoccum
Melanthium glaucum and hybridum
Xyris brevifolia
Narthecium americanum
Cornostylis americana Pk
Sagittaria obtusa and rigida
natans Mx
Sparganium natans
Arum atrorubens
Lemna gibba
Ruppia maritima
Potamogeton denarius
Cryptocoris virginica N
Isoetes setaceum
Aira pumila and pallens M.
aquatica precatoria
Festuca rubra, fasciculata N.
clandestina, glabra
tenuifolia W.

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List of desiderata continued

P Elymus striatus
Poa pungens
conferta E11
Lolium perenne
temulentum
Gymnopogon racemosum
Uniola spicata
Cyperus dentatus
erythrorhizos
tenuis
compressus
virens
odoratus
flavicomis
Scirpus tuberculosus
caespitosus
capillaceus
glaucescens
Eriophorum virginicum
Carex setacea
bromoides
foliacea
foena
atrata
vederi
nigra
collecta
stricta
aristata Bor
pubescens
hystericina
retrorsa
tentaculata
Willdenowii Mx
Vernia
Careyana
flaviformis
decipiens
Muhlenbergii
verrucosa
gigantea
Baldwinii
filifolia
vernacula
Muhlenbergii
affinis
albicans
Shortiana
tribuloides
Careyana
capillaris
pedunculata
Muhlenbergii
& any peculiar to
Missouri as
Scleranthia uncinata
Dalea lanata
Galium virgatum
Potentilla hamiflora
Justicia leptocarpa &c
Iris Shrevei Bork &c

Eleocharis compressa
Muhl & Willd grows here
& wanting for comparison
Asclepias patens —
Kochia obtusata
Tuberosa
Heuchera villosa Mx
Grossulariifolia
hispida
Phaseolus acutus
Crotalaria sagittalis var

If the following grow abundantly with you I
would like more, say about 5 specimens of each
Ambrosia bidentata
Androsace occidentalis
Borya septentrionalis
Croton glandulosus
Dalea alopecuroides
Draba. all
Hedeoma hispida
Hypericum Drummondii
Endlichia albida
Batschia canescens

I have not so many correspondent to supply
this season & collect you probably 500 or more
specimens such as would suit you I think
if you wish

If any named above & any exclusive Southern plants I will
send you any in my power to obtain & if you could conveniently
put up some more. either American or European plants, you
may send direct to Warsaw. Illinois. Care of G. W. Hawley Esq,
& I will probably get them without much delay. Any Texas
plant growing also in the Southern States would be acceptable
I would ask if Lucius nigra Willd is the same L. trilobata L as named to
here — Are any of those plants I sent you last. marked (with a dubt?)
misnamed —

Yours Truly
P B Mead

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Dr George Engelmann
St Louis
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Rec'd May 10th
Ans'd July 21st

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois May 4th 1844

Dear Sir,

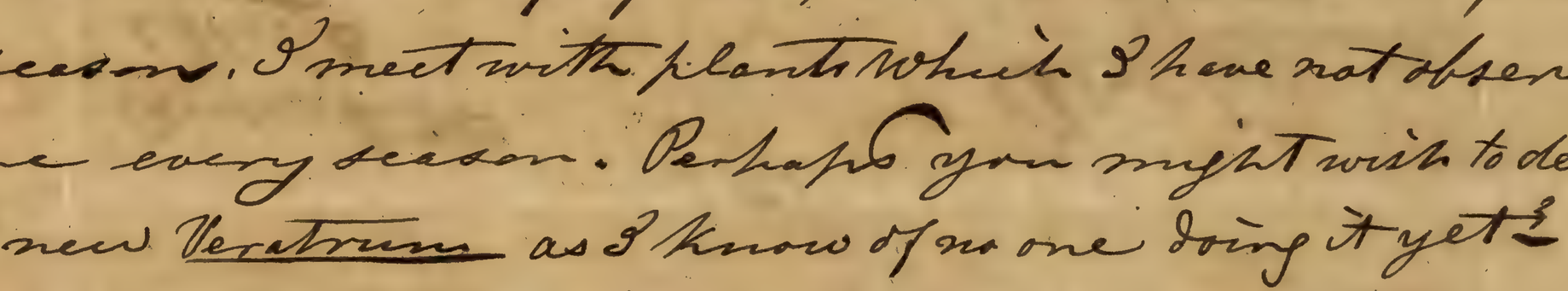
Your letter of Ap 23 is rec'd by the last mail. I intended that those plants should have been taken to St Louis by mr Stark of this place. It was without any direction from me that Mr Hawley sent them. Mr Stark was going to the river on horseback & I sent them to Warsaw a few days before, to be left there till he called for them.

I think it would be best to leave the box for Mr Macrae at the Republican office in case Mr Charles Dy I can get anyone to call for it going East, I will. but I do not know of any now. It may be some months before I find a chance. I would rather you would erase out "care of Wiley & Putnam" & in its place, put "care of Wm A. Mead corner of Cherry & James Streets N.Y. city" as I find W & Putnam have so much on hand that it might be a long time there — I do not suppose I can supply you with many plants that you have not in your Herbarium. but supposed you would like many that are in your exchanges. Have you met with Carex Richardsonii?? Equisetum laevigatum did grow abundant here, but the cattle eat it up — along the bank of the creek. I will send a specimen of every new plant I get a duplicate of —

It is only about 2 yrs since I commenced forming a collection. I had not even the most common plants here. & I could not collect enough to get all I wanted immediately. Tho I have collected & distributed about ten thousand specimens within 2 yrs past. I expect to collect all I can conveniently & perhaps visit some distant places this season. I meet with plants which I have not observed before every season. Perhaps you might wish to describe that new Veratrum as I know of no one doing it yet —

For any rare plants you meet with, I will send you any thing in my power to obtain & I can not ask for only one specimen or so many as to show the different forms of the plant, because I have not a large stock of plants on hand so as to make a return for duplicates at present.

Yours Truly I B Mead



I am under obligations to you for remarks on my plants — Where is Lobelia leptostachya described?

Perhaps you may want several more of some plants I have already sent you & if you want duplicates of some particular ones, I will collect them if in my power & send none but good specimens or at least as good as I receive. I do not find some plants here every season. Silene nivea is scarce

I would be glad to make some arrangement in some way to obtain any parcel of plants I may have left in N. York city. & I am willing to pay for the trouble & freight to any Merchant when shipping goods. If I had enough to put together I would have them shipped direct to me. but I do not expect much more from the East,

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Rec'd Aug. 15th
Ans Aug 20-th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Aug 10th 1864

Dear Sir,

Having an opportunity to send to St Louis I put out a few plants for you, some of which I have not met with before & some which I found once before, but for 3 or 4 yrs could not find it till this season.

I hardly know what plants to select for you, as I do not expect I have any new to you, but send such as I suppose will be most desirable to you for exchange. If any more plants grow here that you want, I would be glad to supply you so as to get in exchange at least one specimen of all foreign plants you have to spare.

I will try to purchase the Texan plants & some of the plants west of the Rocky Mts so many as I can find me and to pay for. Please write me how many you have &?

Could you not find time to put out some more plants for me so as I could get them soon. as late in the season my chances of getting them from St Louis or the river are few — If you possibly can send me, a specimen of all the foreign Carices you have to spare in your next parcel for me, you would oblige me very much. You will see on the list I sent you sometime ago what few Europeanes I have. & you need not send any that I have tho' of some very rare ones I would not object to a specimen again — I collected largely of some plants, Herpestis rotundifolia &c & if you could use any more than what I now send. I can send you more good specimens. Hordeum jubatum I met with this season abundant — Convolvulus sepium I have never met with, but few, till this season, & I have about 10 duplicates more to spare I send you Arabis dentata. & Centunculus minimus as I call it & I believe it to be correct as I can not make any thing else out of it. This I hear grow with you, & perhaps rather scarce & send them as you can use good specimens in exchange.

I got an argument from Mr Sharples last May & May I get another?

The Box for Wm Macrae of Montreal

I wish to send to N.Y. city. Hamden No 3 Wall Street or Boston Mass. care of Dr Luther. V. Bell. of the McLean Asylum. Did you leave it at the Republican Office?

yours truly S B Mead

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Rec'd Sept 6th
Ans'd Sept 22d

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Aug 30. 1844

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of 21st ult. is rec'd to day. I am glad the parcel last sent was acceptable. Perhaps I may get a few others that would suit you. Mr Holton has collected some this season in Pike Co Illinois, as Mentzelia aurea, crotonopsis aspidium rufidulum? Veratrum angustifolium? &c &c. If I knew exactly that you had none of them, I would send you specimens. Equisetum levigatum I found growing on a sandy overflowed bank of a creek & a few days after I got what I collected this season, the creek overflowed its banks & tore away my whole patch I discovered. Of the surplus of the Texan plants for sale I would be glad to receive a specimen if any you have

I have lately received a letter from Mr Macrae, informing me that since he arrived from Europe he had been about Boston, Mass. & wished me to direct any parcel &c Box for him to "care of Dr Luther. V. Bell. McLean Asylum, Somerville Boston, Mass." so that you may erase the directions to com ~~Hon Ashbel A~~ Y. or rather Wiley & Putnam N.Y. & write on as requested above. Also erase the word Paid — as he will pay it or his friend in Boston on its arrival — I send the Box without delay by the agent Mr Townsend, for forwarding such packages.

I had a letter from Mr Lapham some little time since I suppose he must be near Milwaukie —

I lately rec'd a letter from Dr Short. I was very sorry that the Box I put up for him was sent off from Warsaw without my directions. not long since, an acquaintance said he saw such a box at the Republican office, which I supposed must be it. & the Gentleman who took the last parcel of plants I sent you, said he would enquire for it & take it along with him to Louisville as he was on his way to Pittsburg — so that I expect soon to hear again from Dr Short —

I would be glad to obtain at least one good specimen of all the European plants you have to spare & well as of any other rare plants you may have to spare. if you think I can send you specimens sufficient to repay you —

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If the catalogue of Texan Plants for Sale I would be much pleased to see. I would still be glad to purchase those plants peculiar to Texas, so as to get a specimen of all in that country if possible, but if I should be obliged to purchase also any others in order to get those peculiar to Texas it would be beyond my means. & I should be forced to give it up. It seems No 1. has 214 species in that parcel, & No 16. containing only 121 species, about one hundred less. which I suppose are probably the rarest plants & most difficult to obtain. If I could have the privilege of subscribing also for a specimen of each plant peculiar to Texas of all that you are about to receive, which are not already in the parcel No 16. then I would be glad to have them. I do not mind a very few very rare ones being among them that may be peculiar to West^n La & Arkansas & I have about ten dollars by me in Specie & I will try to get a good Bank note & send you by mail. Mr Alfred Skinner is expected here in a few days, & if he returns to St Louis soon, I will try to arrange the business with him & send you the money if I can. I would not be able to tell much about them until I should get the catalogue. but if a good opportunity offers, you can send to Warsaw. Ill. to be left at Alfred Skinners Store. (formerly G. W. Hawley & Co) —

If the Texan collections are to be put out in setts & those who purchase one sett in one collection must also purchase also a full sett in the second collection containing many that might be in the first collection, I could not do it — but if all that are not in the first collection can be purchased seperately, then I will make an effort to purchase them —

I would be glad of a European specimen of Centunculus minimus for comparison. if you can spare me any —

I can not get a Bill to send you this mail, I expect money every week from N. Y. to pay Taxes for a friend on his land here, & soon as it comes I can send you that & keep the specie in its place. it will not exceed four weeks and it may not one week.

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I have not seen any species of Heuchera except H. americana which I collected in N. Y. & from Penn^a. & H. caulescens from Mr Short — & H. Richardsonii — Mr Lapham would probably be glad to receive his package by the express line you speak of

I may be glad to have some packages directed to your care from the East, but a neighbor has gone East & will bring with him on his return what may be in N. York city & I will not know what will be left behind till I hear — I will give you notice if I should direct any to you — Sometime ago, I directed Mr Sullivant & some other to leave with you what they might wish to send me when a good opportunity offered —

When you should send any thing up to Wisconsin for me, please inform me by mail.

Yours Truly

J. B. Mead

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Rec'd Sept 20th
Ans'd Sept 22d

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Sept 16. 1844

Dear Sir,

Enclosed I send ten dollars for Texan Plants you may send by first good opportunity to Warsaw If you can send any letter to your friend at Quincy you may send there - but I do not know to whom you would send, Das I have heretofore had things left at Comstocks to "store or ware house, Quincy, it would be most convenient to have them left there, or that I would know where to send, Mr Holton is now at the Institute at Quincy about 1 or 2 miles out & he is coming up here next week, if you could have them left at Quincy or that he could call early on Monday morning before he Came (Sept 23d) I could get them without any delay & you could send me by mail the printed catalogue containing the names when you get it.

Your Truly

J B C Mead

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Ans Oct 18th

Augusta Illinois Oct 4. 1844

My Dear Sir,

Your favor of Sept 22d ult. is rec'd.

You may send me the Texan plants No 16 containing the 121 specimens & as many more as you can add of such as are peculiar to Texas. The surplus specimens I would wish to be glad of, that is any that show the various forms of the plant in fruit or otherwise. Please send to Warsaw 1- care of D B. Chapman Esq & W. Hawley. Store (now A. Skinner) & with as little delay as possible.

I wish to subscribe for the Texan plants till I get all peculiar to Texas. that is if I do not have to pay twice for the same plant.

I believe Mentzelia aurea (or oligosperma) is correct I have examined it. I have some duplicates left & will keep some for you & some other things.

I understand by your letter. that I can have a continuation & all poor specimens will be replaced by better & fullerones as soon as possible — The mail is waiting & I must write more another time

Yours truly

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Ans. Dec 18th

Augusta Hancock Illinois Nov 2d. 1844

My Dear Sir,

The Texan collection (No 16.) I have received & hastily looked over. I am pleased with it, tho' I had already some of the same plants. A few are rather poor & if you have not noted what ones they are, to astore replace them with better ones I can give you the Numbers — Some few I would like in fruit if any are in the 2d collection. such as No 7. 65 &c & with good leaves as No 39. Dalea alopecuroides

I wish to continue my subscription to the 2d. Collection & want the 1st No that I can have containing the greatest number of species.

I suppose you will be able to supply me with most of the plants which were in the first Nos of the 1st collection & were not in No 16 which you sent me. viz. (the numbers not in No 16) Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 8 11. 12. 13. 14. 17. 19. 20. 23. 24. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 36. 40. 47. 50. 51. 55. 56. 57 59. 60. 62. 63. 69. 73. 75. 76. 78. 82. 88. 97. 99. 100. 107. 110. 113. 117. 119. 121 126. 127. 134. 137. 138. 140. 146. 148. 149. 150. 156. 158. 160. 161. 165. 167. 170 175. 176. 179. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 190. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 198. 201. 202. 204. 206. 207. 208. 211. 212 (214.) & continued on with all others in the 2d collection — If you can get them ready to send up from before the river closes, I would be glad to see them & if you will tell me how much money I must send & when, I will send it as fast as I can get it together. As my means are small, I would have been glad to have purchased only those peculiar to Texas or Western Louisiana or Arkansas — but if only a few others are among them I do not mind it —

Did you forward Mr Macrae's box by the package express line as I wrote, a while ago? If not gone, please mark over & direct. "care of William Macrae Esqr St. Johns. near Montreal. Lower Canada", to be left at N. York with Hamden's Express office No 3. Wall Street, N. Y. to forward to Canada.

Yours truly
J B Mead

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I will name those specimens which I noticed as rather poor. & that if you ever have better ones you can send them to me — viz

Nos. 9. 61. 70. 72. 74. 81. 87. 98. 102. 120. 141. 147. 153. 166. 172. 177.

& No 200 with fruit. —

S B M —

Dr Chapman wrote me a while ago that he should forward a box of plants from Florida to you and Dr Short & a package in it for me soon

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Rec'd Jan 10th 1845
Ans Jan 28th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Jan 6, 1845

My Dear Sir,

Your favor of Dec 18th ult is received. I have looked over the Nos of the Texan plants & I find No 214. I placed this No among those wanting. I made a mistake.

Such as you can get ready of the Texan plants, you may send next Spring when the navigation commences & perhaps you will have also ready the large bundle you promised to put out for me this winter so as to send both together. I will send you some more money after a while,

I met with some plants not noticed here before after I sent you my last parcel, viz. a Kuhnia eritonioides? Liatris spicata? asclepias verticillata? in fruit. perhaps A. cinerea? it is a beautiful species more delicate than A. verticillata I found growing here in another locality I shall try to visit some new localities next season & collect largely of all very rare plants I find. aster oblongifolius I found abundant there

Are you acquainted with Kunth's Enumeratio plantarum? Would you prefer it to DeCandolle, either on account of the descriptions or the price of the work, if you could not have but one of these Authors?

Perhaps I can make you out another parcel of plants in course of next season with which you would be pleased—

I can now more easily detect new & rare plants as I have many for comparison, I shall finish, I think, next season collecting for all my N. American correspondents. except such as want to send me European & other foreign plants

Yours most truly

S B Mead

P. S. Mr Lapham received the Box of plants you sent him by the last Steam Boat that went on the Lake from Chicago to Milwaukie, all safe

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Rec'd Febr 20th
Ans March 21st

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Feb 16th 1845

My Dear Sir,

Dr Short informs me that he sent on Feb. 4th inst. on the "Oliver Anderson" bound for St Louis a box of plants for me, directed to your care, corner of Second & Chesnut Streets St Louis. You may send it to Warsaw Ill. care J. A. Skinner. Whatever charge may be on it, please inform me & I will see that you are paid

Your letter of 17th Jan'y was duly recd. I find I had marked the wrong plant on my list of my collection. On examination I find it is, Matricaria discoidea, but another specimen will be acceptable. I have Cyperus filiculmis. I collected it last season Is not C. hyalinus rather a variety? I would like a specimen not American. I have but one specimen of the Chara you want, but will be on the look out for it this coming season I have been all this winter arranging & studying my collection of plants & putting out seperately my duplicates for exchange. I have not yet got to the Carices, but will attack them in a few days. I have duplicates (fine specimens collected last season) of Carex hystrix Gray. = C. ornithorhyncha Kunze so says Dr Gray (to one in a letter of Nov 7. ult.) also of C. shortiana & C. Richardsonii I collected also cyperus schweinitzii Torr. C. acuminatus Torr & Hook & C also your Sagittaria (alisma) minus! Polygonum ramosissima & C & C

As to Mr Geyer's plants, I would like to have if I had the means at hand, but I do not think I can collect the money as it is a most difficult thing to collect any thing here. So that I will be obliged to do without them.

I would be glad to have a specimen of all at least the rare foreign plants you have to spare, if I can make you a return in any plants growing here. The Prairie Farmer published at Chicago is printing a list of plants growing here. it begins with the Jan'y No & as soon as it is finished I will send you a copy (some errors you will find in it)

As soon as you have a parcel of plants ready for me you may send to Warsaw Ill care of J. A. Skinner.

in haste, yours truly S B Mead

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Rec'd May 9th
Ans May 12th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois May 5th 1845

My Dear Sir,

Enclosed I send ten dollars

for which give me credit on the Texan plants.

Your letter of Jan 28th was received Feb 10th I just about that time I had a Bill to pay unknown to me till it come or I should have sent you some money before, tho' I suppose it would take some little time for you to put out the large bundle you promised me in way of exchange. If you have them ready, you can send to Warsaw, to ~~be~~ left at A. Skinner's Store, Warsaw Illinois & inform me by mail. You mention in your letter that you shall bring the numbers of the Texan plants to 318. I hope you will if passible fill up the vacant number in mine of at least all peculiar to Texas. & add such others as you can spare if you have any not included in the 318 Nos.

Whatever you send more than the money sent pays for, I will send soon after I know how much it is.

Are there not some plants here you would still like to have me collect more for you? Chaerophyllum procumbens I have found this season, Carex richardsonii. I expect to visit some more distant places this season & may find others. Trillium grandiflorum

Please send me the desdriptions of the Texan plants as soon as printed

Your very truly

J B Mead

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Rec'd June 27th
Ans Octo 18th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois June 23. 1845

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of May 11th was duly rec'd
& the parcel of Texan plants. I have waited to acknowledge
the receipt of the plants, hoping every mail to receive
the printed catalogue of the Texan plants, but has not
yet come. I have met with some new plants this season
I saw in the Sand barrens near Beardstown last week, several
Erysimum arkansanum (Dr Nuttall abundant) Hymenopappus
corymbosus? (not yet examined fully) your No 107 Texan collection I take to be Hym-
enopappus tenuifolius! artemisifolius. this here has more slender leaves &
a Coreopsis. Concolata? & C & C Chrysopsis villosa. & Astragalus psoralyoides?
you say you will select 36 species from plants of Mr Lindheim
-er that were not in the sets. could you not let me have
those by way of exchange & give me credit for 36 species
on the next parcel sent by Mr Lindheimer? I want
to get a specimen of all rare plants as far as I can & am
not anxious to receive duplicates. tho' I am glad to receive
any rare plants, but would prefer only a specimen of
as many rare species as you can spare me.
I rec'd from Dr Hale several plants that are the same
as in the Texan collection. I would however like one
good specimen of all Numbers which I have not
got & any other very rare Texan plant not distributed in
the sets.

Did Mr Geyer find at Beardstown a Delphinium exaltatum?
I saw a plant there not in flower, which I take to be a
Delphinium (D. callitrichè vernalis I would like a specimen of).
I have no specimen of Artemisia ludoviciana. Asclepias amplexicaulis
Baptisia leucophæa. Carya oliviformis. Donia squarrosa. Polymnia uvedalia
Potentilla paradoxa, Pyrethrum deflexatum. Seymeria macrophylla
Utricularia striata. Silene regia perhaps you can collect them
for me if you have none on hand. whenever you can
get together a parcel; please send to warsaw care
of A. Skinner & it will come safe. Write by mail
whenever you send a parcel. Yours truly
A B Mead

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June 23' S. B. Mead
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Rec'd Oct 21st
Ans Nov. 29

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Oct 15th 1845

My Dear Sir,

A few days ago I received the Catalogue of the Texan plants. In looking over the Nos. I notice several which I still want, which I name below, viz. Nos. 1. 3. 5 13. 17, 28, 30, 36, 50, 56, 62, 63, 73, 88, 113. 121, (126, I have Cuscuta pentagona B. microcalyx. Is this the same?) 127, 134, 140 148. 150, 160, 161. 165. 179. 181, 182, 183, 185. 186, 187, 188, 192, 193 194, 196 201, 207, (212, Oxydenia mucronata Mx I have from Louisiana, is this the same?) 217, 247, 248, 251, 257 263. 269, 271, 272, 273 278. 280, (290, credited to St Louis. collect it for me if you can) 296, 298, 299, 300. 302, 307, 312, 316. (No. in fruit) all of the above I wish to obtain, those underscored I must have if it be possible for Mr. Lindheimer to collect them for me. . .

(I would like in flower, Nos 226, 233. & in fruit & full grown leaved 308. of those sent me)

I suppose you have laid aside some few plants of Mr Lindheimers that were sent in too small number to distribute in the Setts, as you wrote me you should last May. I want a specimen of every thing new & of all peculiar to Texas. Such as are found East of the Mississippi I would not care about purchasing if it can be avoided & you could omit them when distributing them, unless a few very rare ones —

I would be glad to obtain, Astragalus Nuttallianus (true) Liatris mucronata (true) D.C. Cuscuta rostrata, & compacta, Choisy. Ruellia Justiciaeflora, Asphora Drummondii Euphorbia Geyeri. Engel. Herbertia cerulea, (Nemastylis geminiflora Nutt. is this the same with No 189?) Gelasine Texana. Convolvulus hastatus Nutt. Eutoca glabra. Dipteracanthus Drummondii. & linearis & biflora, Mimulus crassifolia Nutt. Clara Sejuncta Braun. &c &c Such of these as you can send me in exchange, please so send, but if you can not so send them I must purchase them.

Dr Hale sent me some so named

N.B. Chum July 44 = Ch. polygalifolia Muhlenberg

If you have a parcel ready for me please send to Warsaw — Care of A. Skinner,

if it suits you any better, you can send to Quincy & leave in care of Mr John Caven, he lives under the hill keeps a tavern, (a friend of mine) & write me by mail when you send.

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Very respectfully & Truly
Your's S. B. Mead.

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Quercus Catesbaei Michaux
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Acer Saccharinum L.
" Dasycarpum Ehrh.
Fraxinus Americana L.
" Pubescens Lam.
Platanus occidentalis L.
Juglans nigra L.
" cinerea L.
Carya alba Nutt.
" amara Nutt.
Celtis crassifolia Lam.
Morus rubra L.
Asimina triloba Dunal
Magnolia glauca L.
Liriodendron Tulipifera L.
Menispermum Canadense L.
Berberis Canadensis Pursh
Ranunculus recurvatus Poir.
" abortivus L.
" sceleratus L.
Delphinium azureum Michx.
Aquilegia Canadensis L.
Nymphaea odorata Ait.
Nuphar advena Ait.
Sarracenia purpurea L.
Viola pedata L.
" sagittata Ait.
" cucullata Ait.
" ovata Nutt.
" Canina L. var. sylvestris Regel
" Muhlenbergii Torr.
" Missouriensis Greene
" Emarginata Le Conte
" Pubescens Ait.
" Rotundifolia Michx.
" Striata Ait.
" Lanceolata L.
Polygala verticillata L.
" Senega L.
" Sanguinea L.
Dianthus Armeria L.
Silene stellata Ait.
" Virginica L.
Lychnis Githago Lam.
Cerastium nutans Raf.
" viscosum L.
Arenaria serpyllifolia L.
Sagina decumbens Torr. & Gr.
Portulaca oleracea L.
Talinum teretifolium Pursh
Claytonia Virginica L.
Hypericum perforatum L.
" Ascyron L.
" Sphaerocarpum Michx.
" Prolificum L.
" Mutilum L.
" Canadense L.
Elatine triandra Schk.
Linum sulcatum Riddell
" Virginianum L.
Geranium maculatum L.
Oxalis stricta L.
" violacea L.
Impatiens fulva Nutt.
Rhus typhina L.
" Glabra L.
" Copallina L.
Ilex verticillata Gray
Celastrus scandens L.
Staphylea trifolia L.
Acer saccharinum L.
" Dasycarpum Ehrh.
Negundo aceroides Moench
Aesculus glabra Willd.
Ampelopsis quinquefolia Michx.
Vitis cordifolia Michx.
" aestivalis Michx.
" vulpina L.
Tilia Americana L.
Hibiscus Trionum L.
Malva rotundifolia L.
Sida spinosa L.
Abutilon Avicennae Gaertn.
Callirhoe involucrata Torr. & Gr.
Malvastrum coccineum Gray
Helianthemum canadense Michx.
Lechea minor Willd.
Viola pedata L.
" sagittata Ait.
" cucullata Ait.
" ovata Nutt.
" Canina L. var. sylvestris Regel
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Malvastrum coccineum Gray
Helianthemum canadense Michx.
Lechea minor Willd.

Rec'd Nov. 21st
Ans Nov. 29th

Augusta Hancock to Illinois Nov 17. 1845

Dear Sir.

As Mr James Stark Merchant of this place is about to go to St Louis this week he would bring the parcel of plants if you have them ready for me. & if you can leave them at Messrs Crow. Mr Creery & Barksdale No 99. Main Street St Louis. He thinks that the parcel ought to be left there on Saturday 22 inst tho' he supposed that he might be there on Monday after. but uncertain as to Monday.

Yours respectfully
J B Read

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Rec'd Dec 16th
Ans Jan 17

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Dec 9th 18[illegible]

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of Oct 18th was duly rec'd & of Nov 29th is to day rec'd. your parcel of plants sent by Mr Starks was duly rec'd. When I wrote I was afraid that I would not have time to get into the mail what I then wrote, I did not know any sooner when Mr Stark was going to start for St Louis. The river froze up so that his goods could not get up farther than Quincy. I was pleased with the parcel. I am much obliged to you for them. Do not forget to put in the next parcel Euphorbia Geyeri. Donia segnuosa, artemisia ludoviciana, Batschia Engelmanni, Carya divaricata, Nasturtium sessiliflorum. Seymeria macrophylla, Silene regia, &c &c Matricaria discoidea I have not, (you sent me Maruta discoidea) Galium latifolium &c I want & the ferns & whatever may be interesting. Cypenus Kyllingia acuminatus Vahl. &c

The Chara I sent you, I know exactly the place where I collected it & will try to get more, I do not think, I retained only one specimen like the one I sent you, but if I find more you shall have them.

I have a letter from Dr Chapman to day, saying "he has a parcel for you & Dr Short as well as myself, has had them ready a long time; in the hope of putting them in charge of some one going direct to Louisville or St Louis. He says he can not bear the idea of their miscarrying" The three parcels together make a stout box full. He says he is also on the point of moving to Apalachicola. I think if he would send them by some trusty person to New Orleans, who would put them in care of S. V. Sickels. Mr Sickels would bring them with him next Spring to St Louis. Mr Sickels has a brother living in St Louis, (a saddler I think) named Sickles. I sent a parcel of plants to him by Mr Stark for for his brother S. V. Sickels to take to N. Orleans for Dr Carpenter but he had left a few days before for N. Orleans, tho his Brother James told him he would have a chance to send it in a few days. I understood Mr S. that he often sent things from N. Orleans to St Louis.

I collected a few rare things last season

Yours Truly

J B Mead

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Dr Torrey wrote me that Dr Kneiskern would certainly send me plants, he received my parcel before he received yours & I have not received any from him yet — I suppose you will have time this winter to put out for me some foreign plants, I am anxious to see them. also any rare species I found cyperus schweinitzii! last season.

Perhaps it would be well for you to write to Dr Chapman to a place in Florida where he can with safety send the plants. probably you can get him to send to N. Orleans to the house where you get your Texan plants from. 2 they send to St Louis to you.

Yours Engelmann

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Rec 12th April
Ans Sept 11

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois April 2d 1846

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of Mar 21st is recd

The plants at Warsaw I have not had an opportunity of obtaining yet, the roads have been so bad, no teams having been there from this place, since a few days before they arrived at Warsaw. I expect them in a few days I will examine them as fast as possible I put out such as I can spare you & send by the first good opportunity to you

I send a package by Mr Stark of this place to your care for Dr Short, which I suppose he would be glad to get soon.

Your expenses on the plants I will make right soon. I want to give you another list of desiderata after I see what I have in these last parcels, so as to get a specimen of every N. American plant, if I can—

The Texas plants I would be glad of, as soon as you receive them I put out my parcel, a specimen of all that come & such as I desired which were not sent me before, if possible—

I shall probably write you again by mail in a few days if the Pennsylvania plants arrive as I expect—

Yours Truly
S B Mead

P.S. any rare alpine plant from the Mts in N. Hampshire Vermont &c will be acceptable. any rare cyperaceous plant or of the gramineae &c

Did you write Dr Chapman of Florida? I wish I could see those plants soon— Is there no safe way for him to send them by N. Orleans to St Louis? I wrote him that if he could get them safe by any friend to Mr S.V. Sickles in N. Orleans he would no doubt get them safe to St Louis. But I suppose he has left N. Orleans before this—

S B M

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you will find the package entrusted to my care at the Scott Hotel

L. Stark

Dr George Engelmann

St Louis

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By Mr L. Stark

Rec'd July 11th
Ans'd Sept 11th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois July 7th 1846

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of Mar 21st ult was duly rec'd
The box of plants & parcels came safe. I could not however find
a way to get them from Warsaw for 2 or 3 weeks, it was so wet
& muddy at that time few teams went to the river. Enclosed
I send you one dollar, the expense you paid on the box. I should have
sent it before, but supposing I would write every week, it has
been delayed till now. Having examined the plants & corrected
the names of most of them, I laid out those you noticed of which
I could spare any. There were a few you named of which I found
no duplicates. I have added some others which I supposed would be
acceptable to you. Propinquo cuspidatum I could not find a single
specimen this season tho' I spent a day to look for it.

Carex tetanica Schw. I have a single specimen from Prof. Dewey. who says
it is a variety of C. anceps. I have collected some here resembling it &
have put you out a specimen. Specimens of C. paniculata I have, which
or from C. Meadii Dew. exactly as Dewey says it does.

I have met with some 20 species not this season here not named on my Catalogue
I sent you. I have specimens of Phlox bifida Beck!. Astragalus pachycarp
-us? Dr Gray could not decide whether correct, tho' he thinks it is, until Dr Torrey
compared it with the Leavenworthian specimen in his herbarium alone. He
sent it to him for that purpose, but I have not yet got their decision.
I was hoping to have received some more Texan plants before this.
I rec'd another parcel of plants from Pennsylvania left with you.

When you have any parcel to send me you can send to Warsaw
care of A. Skinner as you have heretofore.

Yours truly S B Mead

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any very rare plant will be acceptable, but I wish particulary the following, if you can get me one specimen -

Delphinium virescens
Thalictrum alpinum
Nasturtium sessiliflorum
Turritis glabra
Arabis stricta
" heterophylla
Cardamine bellidifolia
" " spathulata
Dentaria heterophylla
Erysimum asperum
" cuneatum
Vesicaria, any species
Draba rupestris
" ramosissima
" incana
" nemoralis
" muralis
" micrantha
Thlaspi arvense
" alliaceum
" montanum
" tuberosum
Cleome serrulata
Viola sororia W
" asarifolia Ph
Drosera anglica
" " linearis
Polycarpon tetraphyllum
Sagina erecta
" nodosa
Arenaria patula
Linum perenne
Malope malacoides
Tilia heterophylla
Ceanothus - Pitcheri
" intermedius
Glycyrrhiza lepidota
Psoralea argophylla
esculenta
campestris
canescens
Dalea lanata
Hoosackia purshiana

Astragalus missouriensis
Homolobus dispar
" multiflorus
Hedysarum boreale
Spirea corymbosa
crenata
Potentilla paradoxa
" pumilus
Rubus parviflorus N
Rosa woodsii
" bracteata
" lutescens
Oenothera pinnatifida
" glauca
" caespitosa
NB " serrulata
Sedum rhodiola
" telephioides
Cornus sueicia
Fedia dentata
Aster punicens B
" concinnus
" carneus B
" Curtisianus
" tardiflorus
" alpinus
" graminifolius
" exilis
" mirabilis
Solidago ambigua
" thyrsoidea
" corymbosa
" integrifolia
" incana
" nipestris
Polymnia uvedalia
Echinacea sanguinea N
Coreopsis senifolia
" verticillata
Verbesina siegesbeckia
Gaillardia pinnatifida
Arnica mollis
Rabalus nanus
" Bootii
Sonchus arvensis.
Donia squarrosa

Gonolobus, any
Gentiana acuta, & lutea
Hydrolea corymbosa
Batschia decumbens
Verbena diffusa
Prunella longiflora
Utricularia striata
Kochia dioica
Polygonum viviparum
Euphorbia mercurialina & pilosa
" helioscopia, stipulata
Urtica urens, capitata, gracilis
Castanea nana
Populus cerrigata W.
" moniliifera & graeca
Ulmus nemoralis
Planera any
Listera pubescens Ph
Allium stellatum & angulosum
Juncus greenii, & gnaphalodes
Cyperus alternifolius,
flavicomis Mx. &c
Dichromena ciliata Ph
Vaginaria scirpoidea
Carex wormskioldiana, setacea
bicolor, colinaea, foena,
ovata, fulginosa, Wahlii
costulata, miliaris, vesca
Elliottii, concolor, mutica,
affinis, attenuata, filifolia
media, missandra, podocarpa
aristata, Baldwiniia
Atheropogon oligostachyum
Sesleria dactyloides
Equisetum palustre, sylvaticum
Woodsia hyperborea, rufidula
Asplenium montanum
Hymenophyllum
Ophioglossum bulbosum
Lycopodium selaginoides

&c &c

Rec'd Sept 30th
Ans Nov 12

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Sept 25. 1846

My Dear Sir,

Your favor of Sept 11th is rec'd. I would like to see the Texas plants as soon as you can conveniently send them & any others you have for me. I have Bidens Beckii. from N. Canada. I think I have one or two Spargania not described or different from the common ones. Phlox bifida. I will send you when I send the parcel I have put out for you & Astragalus Trachycarpus? This is much smaller than your A. trichocalyx & has purple flowers. Dr Gray sent a specimen to Dr Torrey to compare with the Leavenworthian specimen in his Herbarium, but has not informed me of the result of his examination. She thought I was right as to the name or else a new species.

I will make enquiries as to Mr Geyer's plants & find them if possible. too long ago I think for anyone to recollect any thing about them.

Dr Short informs me he sent to you the plants from Dr Chapman by a St Louis boat on the 16th inst. You can send to Warsaw those for me to care of A. Skinner.

I have met with about 20 species this season not included in my Catalogue of plants, most of them common in some other places.

Very Truly
Yours
S B Mead

P. S. Do you not want some more plants from this place, which you can select from my Catalogue I sent you?

S B M

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Dr George Engelmann

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Rec'd Oct 29
ans Nov 12

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Oct 26th 1846

My Dear Sir.

I send a small package of Plants to you by Mr A. Skinner. Among them are a few about which I had some doubts. Are Marked ?. perhaps you can give me their true names. Eriophorum gracile Br I found at Beardstown & another in Knox or Fulton Co. Panicum scoparium? please examine this &c

Troximon cuspidatum I spent a day in looking for it this season but not find one specimen — it is 10 to 15 miles from me where it grows. Your little parcel received with Dr Chapmans was very acceptable it contained four species new to me.

If you have a duplicate to spare of any of the following named in Dr. Chapmans Catalogue, as he did not send me any of them, I would be very glad to obtain them

Clematis reticulata
Ranunculus parviflorus
" palmatus
Magnolia grandiflora
Uvaria obovata
Sarracenia Drummondii
" flava
Ware amplexifolia
Polygala setacea
" Boykinii
" Chapmanii
" Hookeri
" acutifolia
Drosera brevifolia
Adcynum pumilum
obovatum
Hypericum ambiguum
Arrychia Baldwinii
Silene Baldwinii
Gordonia lasianthus
Sida Elliottii
Sagittaria Michauxii
Vicia caroliniana
" acutifolia
Phaseolus sinuatus
Tephrosia Virginiana
Petalostemon corymbosum
Baptisia lecontii
Rhexia lanceolata
glabella
Ludwigia virgata
linifolia
sphaerocarpa
microcarpa
arcuata
Turnera ciliata
Hydrocotyle ranunculoides
Eryngium virginianum
Leptocaulis divaricatus
Silum lineare
Thaspium barbinode
Tiedmannia teretifolia
Daucus pusillus
Cornus stricta
Galium pilosum
Spermacoce Chapmanii
Pinckneya pubens
Vernonia ovalifolia
Sclerolepis verticillata
Liatris paniculata
Eupatorium semiserratum
hyssopifolium
incarnatum
Aster Chapmanii
Erigeron vernum
Solidago pubescula
" petiolaris
Solidago trachyphylla
" pilosa
" Leavenworthii
" paniculosa
Heterotheca scabra
Chrysopsis hyssopifolia
Polymnia uvedalia
Silphium compositum
Berlandiera tomentosa
Iva microcephala
Melanthera hastata
Tetragonotheca helianthoides
Echinacea atrorubens
Rudbeckia heterophylla
Helianthus tomentosus
Helianthella tenuifolia
Coreopsis aurea
serrulata
gladiata
angustifolia
integrifolia
delphinifolia
Leptopoda pubescens
Marshallia lanceolata
Cacalia diversifolia
ovata
Senecio Elliottii
" tomentosus
Arnica nudicaulis
Cirsium lecontii
repandum
Lobelia crassicaula
paludosa
Andromeda frondosa
" phyllicifolia
Clethra tomentosa
Kalmia hirsuta
Vaccinium arboreum
pallens
myrtilloides
Galezans
Bumelia lanuginosa
reclinata
Lysimachia N. species.
Utricularia bipartita
Bignonia crucigata
Justicia tracheata
Elytraria virgata
Antirrhinum. Sp. Nov.
Gerardia linifolia
" setacea
" stenopoda
Gratiola acuminata
Lindernia attenuata
Pycnanthemum hyssopifolium
" pilosum
Salvia urticifolia
Lithospermum Sp. nov.
Convolvulus sagittaefolius
tamnifolius
Evolvulus sericeus
Physalis angulata
Lycium carolinianum
Centaurella verna
Sabbatia brachiata, calycosa & Sp. nov
Asclepias cinerea, angustifolia
" connivens, viridis, linifolia
Gonolobus hirsutus, Lysimachia quadrifolia
Podostigma pubescens
Salicornia ambigua
Amaranthus pumilus, albus
Polygonum hirsutum, incarnatum
" setaceum? Sp. nov,
Laurus melissaefolia
Myrsa tomentosa
Platanera aquatica
Euphorbia peplus?. Sp. nov,
Carya aquatica
Castanea nana
Quercus aquatica, lyrata
" nigra, Michauxii, pumila
Pinus variabilis.
Taxodium distichum
Chamerops all
Sabal pumila
Zostera marina
Sagittaria graminea, lancifolia, natans
Hydrochaeris Spongiosa
Crantzius multiflora
Pogonia divaricata
Bletia verecunda
Orchis Elliottii
Habenaria repens
Iris tripetala, hexagona
Yucca filamentosa, gloriosa
Zigadenus glaberrimus
Veratrum angustifolium
Picea tenuifolia
Eriocaulon pellucidum
Cyperus Drummondii
Eleocharis equisetoides, intermedia,
" tuncialis.
Scirpus divaricatus
Fuirena scirpoidea
Isolepis ciliatifolia. Ceratoschenus
Cephaloschenus polystachyus & Sp. nov
Cladium effusum
Hypoporum gracile, Baldwinii
Scleria carolinicana, laxa, pauciflora
Rhynchospora multiflora, oligantha
" distans, pusilla, glomerata
Carex dasycarpa, Elliottii

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list of Florida desiderata continued

Panicum alabamense
" scabriusculum
" amarum
Walteri
Paspalum praecox
purpurascens
Cenchrus sp. nov
Andropogon ternarius
Aristida lanosa
Uniola nitida
" paniculata
Eleusine cruciata
Elymus sp.
Rottboellia all
Spartina glabra
Zizania miliacea
Eriocaulon compressum
" stenophyllum
" decangulare

Miegia macrosperma
Andropogon tetrastachys

also from St Louis
Donia squarrosa, Nasturtium tanacetifolium
Utricularia striata " sessiliflorum
& any other very rare plant

Perhaps you may have some of these to spare
Please send me what you can with
the Texas plants before the river closed
if you possibly can, as I am anxious to see
them.

I have a large lot of specimens to send to
Dr. A. Gray. but I fear I am too late to send
them East this Fall, Are you going to send
him any thing this Fall or next Spring?

Yours very truly
J B Mead

Dr. George Engelmann
St Louis
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Favored by
Dr. A. Schneider

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Rec'd Nov 17th
Ans Decb 14th

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Nov. 9th 1846

My Dear Sir,

I send to your care by Mr Stark of this place, a box of plants for Dr Gray. D which I wish to send him when you are sending him any thing or Whenever you have a good opportunity

The box is as full as it can possibly be & no more at all can be got into it— I send it now as I do not know I should have another opportunity to send to St Louis. I sent some days ago a small parcel to you by Mr A. Skinner— which I hope you have received before this

Your Truly

I B Mead

Mr Jamco Stark will be at in St Louis.

Dr Englemann

St Louis Monday Morning Nov 16/46

Dear Sir

I arrived yesterday morning in this city and have put up at Scott's Hotel where you may find the Box Spoken of above I was requested by Dr Mead to say that if you had any thing on hand for him you might put it in my care and I will see it safely delivered. I shall be here untill Wednesday evening

Respectfully yours

Da. Stark

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Rec'd Dec 25
Ans'd Jan 10.

Augusta Hancock Co Illinois Dec 19th 1846

My Dear Sir,

Your letter of Dec 14th inst to this day rec'd, As to the Box for Dr Gray from me by Mr Stark, I think it would be best not to send till Spring when you send your Box so both could go together. Mr Stark was prob'ly busy in purchasing goods when in St Louis, so as to be but a very little time at his boarding place.

You make no mention of the parcel I sent you by Mr Skinner a few weeks (sending October,) before, containing those plants which I could spare & which you desired of those sent me from Pennsylvania by J. Wolle, with a few others. Have you received it?

The parcel put out for me you may send whenever a good opportunity offers to Quincy if it suits you as well to your friend if he is still there or to Comstock & Co his Store now is removed to the top of the Hill, but he is receiving goods all the time & I suppose some one there at the Boats when they arrive. I can get them as soon from Quincy as Warsaw, but send to either place as you find best & inform me by mail at the same time you send — I would like Specimens of the Charae from Europe & any other very plants. —

If the river closes you can send when it opens Have you any friend in St Louis who will ship goods from Boston early in Spring to St Louis, so that Dr Gray could send a small Box for me which he has ready to send, at the same time with the goods Shipped! I would not ask this question, only as they charge so high on small Boxes when sent alone, But when coming together with a large lot the expense is small. Dr Gray may however find an opportunity to send, tho' I do not know now in what way —

I would like to obtain a Specimen of all the plants west of the Missisoippi of which I have no Specimens already in some way, by exchange if possible —

I have some packages of plants left for me in N. Y. city & wish to get them in the Spring Dr Kriesken left some plants for me in N. Y. but I have not received them yet.

Your Truly
S B Mead

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In case you did not get that parcel I sent by Mr Skinner you can Enquire of Mr Polk Esqr Lawyer. his servant took it to corner of Chesnut & ~~Main~~ Second Street.